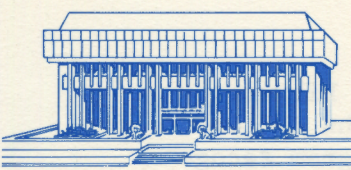


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SOUTH CAROLINA LIBRARIANS ATTEND CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP

Some eighty public and state institutional librarians involved in working with children attended a workshop held by the South Carolina State Library April 30 - May 1. The two-day workshop, focusing on library services to children, was held at the Hilton Town House Motel in Columbia.

The importance of children's services was stressed during the workshop, with emphasis being placed upon needed improvements in the field of children's library services. In this vein, the workshop was particularly organized to provide training and assistance to library staff members who have primary responsibility for the planning and administration of children's programs.

The workshop was conducted by Mrs. Augusta Baker, former Coordinator of Children's Services at the New York Public Library, assisted by Miss Carolyn Peterson, Coordinator of Children's Services with the Orlando (Florida) Public Library.

During the first day's session, Mrs. Baker presented a program involving such topics as reading aloud, the pre-school picture book, films, and story telling. The Wednesday evening meeting consisted of a "talk-fest" led by Mrs. Baker and Miss Peterson. On Thursday morning, Miss Peterson and Mrs. Baker presented a program on "Working with Administrators and the Community." During the afternoon session, Mrs. Baker focused on children's books, discussing criteria for book selection and use of books on the Black experience.

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE LIBRARY AND GREENVILLE COUNTY LIBRARY
CITED FOR PUBLIC RELATIONS PROGRAMS

Both the South Carolina State Library and the Greenville County Library will receive awards for their public relations programs under the John Cotton Dana Library Public Relations Awards Contest. The annual awards program recognizes outstanding public relations efforts of various types of libraries. The awards will be presented during the ALA conference in San Francisco on June 30. At the same time, scrapbooks submitted by participating libraries will be on display.

The awards read as follows:

"South Carolina State Library: Special Award for a state-wide reading program to stimulate interest in the Bicentennial celebration."

"Greenville, South Carolina County Library: Award for a comprehensive, sophisticated public relations effort utilizing a variety of media to establish a well-conceived, dignified, yet popular program, which presented the library to the community."

AMERICAN PATRIOT READING CLUB ENTERS SECOND YEAR

The American Patriot Reading Club, sponsored by the South Carolina State Library, will soon be entering its second year. The special statewide summer reading program will again be conducted in public, state institutional, and armed services libraries throughout the state.

The reading program, which proved to be highly successful in its first year, is designed to acquaint young readers in the state with national and state history and to promote their interest in the American Revolution Bicentennial Observance. The reading club is open to all children including those with visual or physical handicaps. During the summer of 1974, approximately 20,000 children participated in summer reading clubs across the state.

The reading program is aided by a grant from the South Carolina American Revolution Bicentennial Commission for program materials and administrative resources. During the program's initial year, the South Carolina State Library provided grants to libraries for purchase of books and other materials to support the summer reading program.

Mrs. Libby Law, Field Service Librarian, South Carolina State Library, is serving as Coordinator for the program.

The Charleston County Library sponsored an open house at the Cooper River Memorial Library Branch on April 13. The branch library has recently been expanded in size by 50% and had also undergone extensive remodeling, including new flooring, carpeting, lighting, wall coverings, restrooms, and new air conditioning and heating systems.

REGIONAL REFERENCE WORKSHOPS HELD

The South Carolina State Library conducted a series of four reference workshops for non-professional library employees in various regions of South Carolina during the month of April. An approximate total of 135 public library staff members attended the workshops held at the South Carolina State Library (April 10), the Greenville County Library (April 15), the Florence County Library (April 17), and the Charleston County Library (April 22). John Landrum, Director, Reader Services Department, and Lea Walsh, Interlibrary Loan Librarian, South Carolina State Library, conducted the workshops designed to acquaint public library employees with limited training or experience with basic reference materials and reference procedures. Techniques to be used in the reference interview, basic reference tools, introduction to state and federal documents, South Carolina reference materials, interlibrary loan procedures, and use of the State Library's microfilm catalog were some of the topics covered during the workshops.

RICHLAND COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY PARTICIPATES IN FIESTA '75

The Richland County Public Library was a major participant in Fiesta '75, an annual spring arts festival held in Columbia, April 17-19. Exhibits and displays of organizations participating in the festival were set up along a three-block area on Main Street.

The library's exhibit featured several displays. A sports and hobby booth was manned at various times by members of the USC football coaching staff and football players as well as representatives of the USC soccer team. Other booths displayed library materials on travel and vacation planning. The bookmobile was on display, illustrating the variety of services offered by the library. Puppet-making demonstrations and puppet shows were also another regular feature of the three-day library exhibit.

"REBATE" PROGRAM OFFERED BY DARLINGTON COUNTY LIBRARY

During National Library Week, April 13-19, the Darlington County Library experimented with a program to recover overdue and missing library materials. Using the current merchandising technique of rebates, the Darlington County Library offered redemption coupons valued at thirty to fifty percent depending on the time of use. The coupons could be redeemed during National Library Week to pay fines or other charges at a rebate level of fifty percent. Otherwise, the coupons could be held for future use during the next twelve months to cover fines, etc., at a thirty percent level. The coupons were published in the local newspapers and were also available at the library.

The spring film series at the Charleston County Library will feature films concerning "Mysteries of the Americas" from April 19 to May 31. The free one-hour film showings will include films on the history and culture of the Americas. Topics include the question of the discovery of America, vanished Vikings, Von Daniken's theory of ancient astronauts, early American Indians, and American folk art, etc.

FRANK BLAIR ADDRESSES GROUP ATTENDING HILTON HEAD GROUND-BREAKING CEREMONIES

Over 100 persons attended the official ground-breaking ceremonies for the Hilton Head Island branch of the Beaufort County Library which were held on April 7. The main speaker at the ceremony was Frank Blair, recently retired news reporter from the "Today" show and soon-to-be resident at Hilton Head.

The 8,500 square-foot building is scheduled for completion sometime in the fall. The new permanent branch was designed by McGinty and Dye and is being constructed by B.B. Clark and Co. of Hampton. Interior furnishings will be provided by the Friends of the Library. The building project is being funded with a \$225,000 allocation by the Beaufort County Council. The library will provide space for 20,000 volumes.

LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION IN MARION AND HAMPTON COUNTIES

Ground-breaking ceremonies for the new addition to the Marion County Library were held on April 14. The addition, designed by the firm of Clark and McCall, is being built by Bethea Barrineau of Lake City Building and Supply. The new addition will double the space contained in the present facility. Total cost of the building project is estimated at \$200,000, with \$75,000 being received under an LSCA grant through the South Carolina State Library.

Dignitaries attending the ceremonies included State Representatives Norwood Gasque and Johnny Waller, County Commission Chairman Gault P. Beeson and other county commissioners. The State Library was represented by Dr. Carlanna Hendrick, Chairman of the Board.

In Hampton County, the low bid of \$119,250 submitted by the J.A. Richardson Jr. Construction Company of Ridgeland for the new Hampton County Library was accepted by the County Council on March 11. Construction began in April, with completion of the building expected by the end of the summer or early fall.

The new library, designed by the architectural firm of Geiger, McElveen, and Kennedy of Columbia, features a modified colonial design. The new library will contain 3,600 square feet of floor space. The building is being financed largely through a revenue sharing allocation of \$125,000.

The Hampton County Library is a member of the Allendale-Hampton-Jasper Regional Library.

FLORENCE COUNTY LOCATES LIBRARY IN HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

As part of its outreach program, the Florence County Library established a mini-library at the Churchill Housing Development Project in Florence County. The outreach reading program is designed to afford residents of low-income projects with access to specialized library materials which ordinarily would be difficult due to lack of transportation and scarcity of such materials on bookmobiles.

The library, the first of its kind in the county, contains approximately 2,000 paperback books.

USC - LANCASTER REGIONAL CAMPUS LIBRARY DEDICATED

The Medford Library at the University of South Carolina at Lancaster campus was dedicated on April 6.

The \$600,000 library-classroom facility, completed in September, 1974, is named in honor of Lancaster resident J.W. Medford, former executive vice-president of Spring Mills, Inc. Mr. Medford has also served as Chairman of the Lancaster County Commission for Higher Education since 1971.

Dr. William H. Patterson, President of the University of South Carolina, delivered the dedicatory address.

The present capacity of the new library is 50,000 volumes, doubling the space of the former library site. The new building is designed so that the second floor of the Medford building can be converted to allow for a maximum of 30,000 volumes.

Funding of construction and equipment was equally shared by the Springs Foundation and Lancaster County.

LANDER COLLEGE ACCEPTS LIBRARY BIDS

Low bidder on construction of the new structure for Lander College was Triangle Construction Company of Greenville. The low bid submitted on the three-story library amounted to \$1,754,000. Approximately \$2.6 million was appropriated by the South Carolina General Assembly for the entire building program. Plans for the new library call for a 57,000 square foot structure which will house 175,000 volumes. The architectural firm of Freeman, Wells, and Major drew the building plans.

DORN PAPERS PRESENTED TO USC

Former South Carolina Congressman William Jennings Bryan Dorn presented his Congressional papers and memorabilia to the University of South Carolina on April 9. The Dorn papers constitute one of the largest collections ever received by the Caroliniana Library at the University.

An estimated 125,000 items contained in approximately 400 boxes and file drawers span Congressman Dorn's thirteen terms, from 1946 to 1974.

The collection contains general correspondence, legislation, newsletters, speeches, and subject files. Of particular interest are documents dealing with the development of Trotters Shoals, Middleton Shoals, Keowee-Toxaway, and Patriot's Point projects.

The Reprint Company has announced that all books selected under the South Carolina Library Association Reprint Project have been completed and all pre-publication orders have been shipped.

LIBRARIAN ATTENDS CONFERENCE ON SERVICES TO THE HANDICAPPED

Mrs. Frances Case, South Carolina State Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, attended the biennial Southern Conference of Librarians for the Blind and Physically Handicapped in Atlanta on April 21-24, 1975. The meeting was sponsored by the Southern Conference in conjunction with the Library of Congress. Topics of discussion at the conference included needs of regional libraries, methods of cooperation among the libraries, and future plans for nationwide development of library services for the blind and physically handicapped.

ALA CONFERENCES

Several special conferences will be held during the 1975 annual conference in San Francisco. They are:

LAD/JMRT Middle Management Workshop, June 29, 1975, 8-4 p.m. Free to all conference attendees. Subject of conference will be inter-personal communications conducted by Eva Schnider-Rainmar. Workshop limited to 225. Interested persons should contact Barry Simon, ALA, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611

YASD "Book You" Pre-conference, June 27-28, 1975, St. Francis Hotel. Pre-conference on young adult books and reading. Will present a review of "Best Books for Young Adults" lists selections and re-evaluation. Panel of authors, publishers, reviewers, and librarians will discuss current young adult literature. Registration limited to 250. Apply before May 30. Application blanks available from Young Adult Services Division Office, ALA, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611. Registration fee is \$53.00 for ALA members, \$63 for non-members.

American Library Trustee Association (ALTA) - "Legal Responsibility of Library Trustees." June 29. Program will examine and discuss issues concerning the legal responsibility of trustees.

LAD Buildings and Equipment Section Institute. "Running out of Space-What are the Alternatives." June 26-28, 1975. Program for those facing serious space problems in the near future. Alternatives to resolving space shortage problems within library facilities will be considered as well as renovation and construction. Pre-registration limited to 250. \$40.00 for ALA members, \$55.00 for non-members. Checks payable to ALA should be mailed to Donald P. Hammer, Executive Secretary, LAD, ALA, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611

JUNIOR MEMBER ALA CONFERENCE FUND

The Junior Members Round Table of the American Library Association is seeking applicants for the Shirley Olofson Memorial Award which provides "Novias," funds for pre-registration fees for potential members of JMRT attending their second ALA Annual Conference. Letters of application should be sent to Rose Caruso, 5459 Netherwood, Oregon, Wisconsin 53575 before June 1.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK ANNOUNCEMENT

The following was a statement by President Ford released April 8 regarding the celebration of National Library Week.

"Libraries have throughout our nation's history been much relied upon depositories of human knowledge and experience. I welcome this opportunity to join with the American Library Association in the traditional celebration of National Library Week. I encourage all Americans to participate in this observance.

This year's theme 'Information Power,' carries with it an invitation for every library to seek to improve, equalize and make more accessible its services to all.

The growing expectation in our society for both professional specialization and rapid adaptability to change make readily available information a top priority in our daily lives. Expanded information services give new meaning and purpose to all of us and stimulate a greater release of the energy resources that insure our vitality as a nation.

I ask every state and local community to honor the 1975 Library Week's commitment to 'Information Power'. It is power to move ahead for the good of all."

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK EVENTS

A number of South Carolina public libraries celebrated the observance of National Library Week in a special manner during the week of April 13-19. Some of the activities around the state included:

Lancaster County Library: Declared National Library Week as a fine-free week to encourage the return of overdue library materials.

Chesterfield County Library: Cheraw Mayor Charles Jackson signed a proclamation citing the celebration of National Library Week. Local merchants in Cheraw had also volunteered to present prizes to readers who won the library's contest involving a question and answer quiz.

Cherokee County Library: The Friends of the Cherokee County Library sponsored a talk by Mary Dodgen Few, author of Azilie of Bordeaux, Carolina Jewel, and others. Film programs both for adults and children were offered throughout the week.

Laurens County Library: Open houses were held at each of the library's three branches during the week. Special film programs were also scheduled for each of the branch libraries.

Florence County Library: The library issued a month-long reprieve for borrowers with overdue library materials. During the month of April, library patrons could return materials, fine-free.

Greenville County Library: The library officially marked the opening of a new rear entrance to the main library building which is especially designed for handicapped patrons and which will improve access to the building from the parking lot. The library's newest bookmobile was also on display during the week at the Coffee Street Mall.

LIBRARIES TO BE ELIGIBLE UNDER HUD GRANT PROGRAM

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is working on "technical change" to the regulations governing the new community development block grant program authorized by Title I of the 1974 Housing and Development Act. These revised regulations will reverse an earlier HUD decision by allowing libraries eligibility to participate in the program. The new regulations permit "single-purpose" neighborhood facilities, such as branch libraries, to be involved in the grant program; libraries no longer must be a "part of a multi-purpose neighborhood facilities project" in order to qualify.

JMRT WORKSHOP TO BE HELD IN MAY

The Junior Members Round Table of SCLA is currently planning a workshop focusing on library management. The workshop will be held Friday, May 23, at the Campus Room, Capstone House in Columbia. Keynote speaker at the meeting will be Mr. Kenneth Shaffer, Professor, School of Library Science at Simmons College. Mr. Shaffer also served as Director of Libraries at Simmons College from 1947 to 1966 and is the former Dean of the graduate library school at Simmons College. Mr. Shaffer is the author of several books on library management, including The book collection, policy case studies in public and academic libraries; Decision-making; a seminar in public library management; Library personnel administration and supervision; and Twenty-five cases in executive - trustee relationships in public libraries. Further details concerning the workshop and pre-registration forms will be mailed out to SCLA members in the near future.

THREE COUNTY LIBRARIES PARTICIPATE IN EXHIBIT

The Anderson, Oconee and Pickens County libraries jointly sponsored a booth at an open house at Tri-County Tec held on March 15. The libraries' exhibit featured books and such special materials as talking books, magnifying lenses and large-print books. Brochures and signs advertising information networks with the Greenville ARRC and the South Carolina State Library were also displayed.

CLR - FELLOWSHIP APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED

The Council on Library Resources has set a deadline date of October 15, 1975, for applications for fellowships for the 1976-77 academic year. The CLR Fellowship program provides approximately 25 fellowships to mid-career professional librarians for research and self-developed study. The fellowships cover expenses incurred by recipients in connection with their approved programs. Fellows are also required to submit a final report upon completion of their projects.

Interested librarians may receive an application form by sending a self-addressed envelope or mailing label to: Fellowship Committee, Council on Library Resources, Suite 620, 1 Dupont Circle, Washington, D.C. 20036.

NEWS OF S.C. LIBRARIANS

...DENNIS BRUCE will assume the position of Librarian of the Spartanburg County Library on July 1. A North Carolina native, Mr. Bruce received his undergraduate degree in English from Methodist College in Fayetteville and his master's degree in library science from the University of North Carolina in 1970. Mr. Bruce has held several positions at the Wake County Public Library, Durham, North Carolina and is at present Assistant Director...MARY LOU FOWLER, an employee of the Anderson County Library since 1942, retired on March 31... JIM JOHNSON, Librarian, South Carolina State Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, was interviewed by Bob Somogyi, Director of the "The Talking Book Radio Station," in April concerning library services for the blind. The sub-band radio station is sponsored by the South Carolina Commission for the Blind specifically for blind persons...WALTER M. PLEXICO, JR. will become director of the Spartanburg Methodist College Learning Resources Center on July 1, succeeding SYBIL PRINCE who retired at the end of the academic year. Ms. Prince has been Librarian at the college since 1958. Mr. Plexico, who has been a staff member at the college for four years, is a graduate of Wofford College and received his master's degree in education in 1971 from UNC - Charlotte. The Learning Resources Center at Spartanburg Methodist College includes the Marie Blair Burgess Library and an audio-visual equipment center... FRANCES REID, former Spartanburg County Librarian, assumes her duties as public library consultant for the North Carolina State Library on May 1. Miss Reid will be acting as a liaison between the North Carolina State Library in Raleigh and libraries located in eighteen western North Carolina counties...MARIE D. WHITE will assume the position of Dillon County Librarian on May 1. Miss White, an Orlando, Florida, native, is a recent graduate of the graduate library school at Florida State University...

NEWS OF TRUSTEES

Mrs. John S. McLaughlin was recently elected to chair the four-county ABBE Regional Library Board.

Recently-elected officers to the Nancy Carson Library Board, Aiken County Library Branch, are: Mr. G. Harry Momeier, President; Mel Story, Vice-President; W.H. Burkhalter, Jr., Treasurer; and Fred Springer, Secretary.

SYMPATHY

To the family of Mrs. Grizelda Arnett Bowden who died March 31. Mrs. Bowden had served as Librarian of the Hampton County Library for the past ten years.

GIFTS

The Carolina Book Club donated \$75.00 to the Cooper Branch of the Richland County Public Library for purchase of paperback classics.

A rare two-volume edition of "The American Drawings of John White, 1577-1590" was presented to the James A. Rogers Library at Francis Marion College by Dr. Robert H. Woody, Duke University Professor of History Emeritus. The John White drawings are the first substantial group of sketches and water colors made of early America.

LIBRARY PUBLICATIONS

Fifth Annual Report, The South Carolina State Library, July 1, 1973 - June 30, 1974. Printed under the direction of the State Budget and Control Board, 1975. Report of the programs and activities of the South Carolina State Library for fiscal year 1974. Contains directory and statistical information on public, academic, and institutional libraries in the state.

Libraries and Information Resources of Northwest South Carolina 1975.

Published by Area Reference Resource Center, Greenville County Library, 1975. Directory of public, academic, as well as special libraries in business and government in a 7-county area. The directory, funded under a LSCA grant by the South Carolina State Library, has been compiled to aid librarians in the northwest region of the state to become more familiar with other information resources in their area. For each library includes information on staff, telephone number, collection, hours of operation, circulation policies, equipment, photocopying charges, and special subject collections.

SOCIAL SERVICES HOTLINE

Questions concerning financial assistance, service delivery, and operations of the South Carolina Department of Social Services can be answered by dialing the Department's hotline number, 771-1580. Information is available on cash assistance, food stamps, medicaid, and can also be used to report suspected fraud, abuse, neglect, etc.

Renovations are continuing inside the historic Westminster train depot which is being converted into a community complex. The building will house the health department, a library, and a community center. The restoration movement is being sponsored by the Westminster Garden Club. "Depot Day", an all-day fund-raising event, will be held on May 3rd to obtain contributions for the renovation work.

April was declared "Fine-Free Month" by the Florence County Library in observance of National Library Week.

The Anderson County Library and Tri-County TEC are co-sponsoring a course entitled "The book of Job as Literature." The special lecture series is being taught once a week during May at the Anderson County Library by Dr. Jack Peters, Chairman, Human Services Division, Tri-County TEC. The course is being offered for a fee of \$5.00 with admission free for persons over 62. The Anderson County Library is providing the materials to support the course.

The Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary Columbia Advisory Council has launched a community appeal to raise \$200,000 to be used for the planned \$1 million seminary library.

The Richland County Library is currently sponsoring a billboard, "Libraries have It," which is on display at the Five Points shopping area in Columbia.

A display featuring Columbia's Nineteenth Century Living History Exposition was exhibited at the Richland County Public Library during April. Items displayed were on loan from the Historic Columbia Association.

The April edition of American Libraries carried an article describing a course in theatrical make-up which was demonstrated at the Richland County Public Library by students and faculty of Columbia College.

The Anderson County Library will serve as the headquarters for the Anderson Sertoma Club's "March for Mankind" on May 3. The library will serve as the site for distribution of pledge cards and collection point for money collected by the marchers. The money will be used to support speech and hearing projects in Anderson.

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